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## **HPD Responds to Robbery and Assault**

Harrisonburg, VA – On May 14, at approximately 4:35 p.m., officers with the Harrisonburg Police Department responded to the 500 block of Norwood Street for what was reported as a subject possibly struck by a vehicle.

On scene, officers located an adult male suffering from contusions and other trauma. Early investigation has shown that the victim was speaking with two suspects who were seated in a vehicle. The vehicle sped off after one of the suspects took belongings from the victim while the victim's arm was still partially inside the vehicle.

The victim was then dragged approximately 25 feet where he let go and collided with the roadway causing the bodily injury. He was transported to Sentara RMH with non-life threatening injuries.

The suspects have been identified as Gary Thomas Piggott, 24, of Broadway, charged with one count of robbery, and Samantha Jo Leavell, 22, of Grottoes, charged with one count of malicious wounding.

Anyone with information on Piggott's or Leavell's whereabouts are strongly encouraged to contact Crime Solvers at (540) 574-5050 or texting "HPD" plus their tip to CRIMES (274637).

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